

## FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

February 13, 2007

Brent A. Weaver, Treasurer Democratic Party of South Carolina P.O. Box 5965 Columbia, SC 29250

Response Due Date: March 19, 2007

Identification Number: C00007658

Reference:

November Monthly Report (10/01/05-10/31/05)

Dear Mr. Weaver:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. This notice requests information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. An adequate response must be received at the Commission by the response date noted above. An itemization of the information needed follows:

-The totals listed on Lines 6(c), 7, 18(a), 18(c), 19, 21(a)(i), 21(a)(ii), 21(b), 21(c), and 31, Column B of the Summary and Detailed Summary Page(s) appear to be incorrect. Please be advised that you should add the "Calendar Year-to-Date" total from your previous report to the current "Total This Period" figure from Column A to derive the correct Column B totals. Please amend your report and any subsequent reports that may be affected by this correction.

-Schedule H4 of your report discloses reimbursements to individuals for "exp reimb-mileage & registration" and "exp reimb-cell tele stickers reports." Please be advised that when itemizing reimbursements to individuals for goods or services, payment to the original vendors must be itemized as memo entries regardless of amount. Each memo entry must include the name and address of the original vendor, as well as the date, amount and purpose of the original purchase must be provided. Please amend your report to include the missing information and clearly identify on the Schedule H4, which reimbursement each memo entry relates to. 11 CFR §§104.10 and 104.17, and Advisory Opinions 1992-1 and 1996-20, footnote 3

-Schedule H4 of your report discloses a reimbursement(s) to an individual(s) for apparent travel and subsistence advances in which the total amount reimbursed exceeds \$500. When the reimbursement amount to staff for travel and subsistence advances exceeds \$500, the payments by committee staff that make up the reimbursement have to be itemized as memo entries regardless of the amount. Each memo entry must include the complete name and address of the original vendor, as well as the date, amount and an adequate purpose. Please amend your report to include the missing information and clearly identify on the Schedule H4, which reimbursement each memo entry relates to. 11 CFR §§104.10 and 104.17, and Advisory Opinion 1996-20, footnote 3

-Schedule H4 of your report discloses a payment to Hayden & Associates, which is categorized as an Administrative expense; however, the purpose of disbursement disclosed is "fundraising – generic admin." Please be advised that payments made for your committee's fundraising activities must be allocated according to the funds received method and the ratio reflected on Schedule H2. Please amend your report to clarify the appropriate category for this activity or provide clarifying information regarding this apparent discrepancy.

-Schedule H4 of your report discloses a payment to Huttleson Data Design, which is categorized as an Administrative expense; however, the purpose of disbursement disclosed is "voter file maintenance." Please be advised that payments made for your committee's generic voter drive activities, that do not qualify as Federal election activities and that are not party exempt activities, should be categorized as a Voter Drive expense on Schedule H4. Please amend your report to clarify the appropriate category for this activity or provide clarifying information regarding this apparent discrepancy.

Please note, you will not receive an additional notice from the Commission on this matter. Adequate responses received on or before this date will be taken into consideration in determining whether audit action will be initiated. Requests for extensions of time in which to respond will not be considered. Failure to provide an adequate response by this date may result in an audit of the committee. Failure to comply with the provisions of the Act may also result in an enforcement action against the committee. Any response submitted by your committee will be placed on the public record and will be considered by the Commission prior to taking enforcement action.

Electronic filers must file amendments (to include statements, designations and reports) in an electronic format and must submit an amended report in its entirety, rather than just those portions of the report that are being amended. If you should have any

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questions regarding this matter or wish to verify the adequacy of your response, please contact me on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 5 to reach the Reports Analysis Division) or my local number (202) 694-1140.

Sincerely,

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Campaign Finance Analyst Reports Analysis Division

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